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PROTESTS INTENSIFY IN LA AS TRUMP DEPLOYS NATIONAL GUARD

Tensions escalated as thousands of protesters took to streets in response to US President Donald Trump's deployment of National Guard

ARRIVAL OF TROOPS SPURS ANGER AND FEAR

Sunday's protests in Los Angeles were centred in several blocks of downtown. It was the third and most intense day of demonstrations against Trump's immigration crackdown in the region, as the arrival of around 300 Guard troops spurred anger and fear. The Guard was deployed to protect federal buildings, including downtown detention centre



SERIOUS BREACH OF STATE SOVEREIGNTY: GUV

■ Democratic California governor Gavin Newsom requested Trump remove the guard members in a letter, calling their deployment a 'serious breach of state sovereignty'. He says he will sue Trump | P12
■ Several dozen people were arrested throughout the weekend of protest. One was detained for throwing a Molotov cocktail at police.



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TROOPS DEPLOYED BY TRUMP

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MISSING WIFE EMERGES, HELD IN HUSBAND'S MURDER CASE

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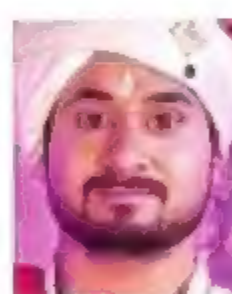
THIS is turning out to be a murder mystery straight out of a movie. After days of search and investigation, the missing jigsaws seem to be slowly falling into place.

In a dramatic turn of events, Meghalaya police on Monday arrested Sonam Raghuvanshi in Ghazipur of Uttar Pradesh as the prime accused for the murder of her husband Raja Raghuvanshi. Sonam and her Indore-based husband were on their honeymoon in Meghalaya from where they disappeared on May 23 with no trace till June 2, when Raja's body was discovered in a gorge beneath the Weisawong Falls in East Khasi Hills. Meghalaya Police said four accused — Raj Singh Kushwaha (21), Akash Rajput (19), Vishal Singh Chauhan (22), and Anand Kurmi (23) — were arrested with help from police of UP and Madhya Pradesh.

Some media reports suggested Sonam and Kushwaha were in a relationship. Addressing a press conference in Shillong, East Khasi Hills Superintendent of Police Vivek Syiem said, "When we connected the dots, it was actually Raj Kushwaha with Sonam. At this moment, we can't say what exactly the murder motive was."

"If Sonam didn't want to live with my son, she could have left him, but why did this happen to my son Raja? She should get capital punishment," Raja's mother said.

Interestingly, it was within an hour from Raj Singh Kushwaha's arrest in Indore that Sonam emerged (after mysteriously missing for a fortnight) a thousand kilometres away at a roadside eatery in UP's Ghazipur at 1.30 am. A dhaba employee said Sonam asked for a phone to call her parents in Indore after which MP police were informed. Later, UP police were contacted and Sonam was arrested. All accused are off to Meghalaya.



Sonam's husband Raja

Govt can't shift blame on to pvt entities, argues RCB

Says it had no control over incidents that occurred outside stadium

YATHIRAJU @ Bengaluru

ROYAL Challengers Sports Pvt Ltd (RCSPL) contended before the Karnataka High Court on Monday that the primary responsibility of maintaining law and order and managing crowds at public events rests with state authorities, particularly police, and RCSPL cannot be held vicariously responsible for incidents which were way beyond its control. RCSPL's petition relates to two FIRs filed against it and DNA Entertainment Networks Pvt Ltd (DNA), its event manager, by the Cubbon Park police.

"The state government cannot, on the one hand, suspend its own police officials for negligence and dereliction of duty, and on the other, attempt to shift blame on to private entities such as RCB for the incident," RCSPL alleged.

It stated that the suspension of senior police officials acknowledged "substantial dereliction of duty" by the police in managing the event, further supporting its position. It is contradicted by the active participation and prior knowledge of the event by high-ranking government officials, RCSPL stated. **CONTINUED ON P3**



Barricades put up outside the Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bengaluru on Monday | VINOD KUMAR

PERMISSION LETTER AFTER STAMPEDE?

It has come to light that the Deputy Commissioner of Police (Vidhana Soudha) received the letter from the Department of Personnel and Administrative Reforms, granting nod to host the RCB felicitation, a day after the incident. **P3**

CM, DyCM to brief Cong high command on stampede incident

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EVEN as the Karnataka High Court takes up on Tuesday the suo motu public interest litigation (PIL) on the death of 11 people in a stampede at Chinnaswamy Stadium during the RCB victory celebration last week, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar will be in New Delhi briefing Congress high command

leaders about the incident and later developments that have put the government in the dock.

Sources said the CM and DyCM have been called to Delhi to brief AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge and Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi. At the meeting at 11 am, the CM and DyCM will explain the sequence of events on June 4 and measures taken by the state government after the stampede. **P4**

What goes up Musk come down!



Centre approves two SEZ proposals in Gujarat, K'taka

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE Centre has approved Special Economic Zone (SEZ) proposals from Micron Semiconductor in Gujarat and Aequus Group in Karnataka to boost India's semiconductor and electronics industries.

Micron will invest ₹13,000 crore in its 37.64-hectare facility, while Aequus will invest ₹100 crore in an 11.55-hectare facility. Amendments to SEZ rules have lowered the minimum land requirement from 50 hectares to 10 hectares, eased Net Foreign Exchange (NFE) calculations, and allowed SEZ units to sell in domestic markets after paying duties, as per amendments notified on June 3, 2025. "These reforms will boost investment, jobs, and make India a global manufacturing hub," the Commerce Ministry said in a statement on Monday.



Smoke billows from Singapore-flagged ship off Beypore coast near Kozhikode in Kerala | P11



Container vessel on fire off Kerala coast

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VISWANATHAN @ Kochi / Kozhikode

A Singapore-flagged container vessel, MV Wan Hai 503, caught fire following an explosion about 88 nautical miles off the Beypore coast in Kozhikode on Monday. Four of the 22 crew members are missing.

The 270-metre vessel, operated by Bernhard Schulte Shipmanagement (BSM), was on its

way from Colombo to Nhava Sheva near Mumbai carrying over 600 containers, including 150 with hazardous materials such as gunpowder, trinitrotoluene (TNT), lithium batteries, acids, and turpentine.

Several containers fell into the sea, raising concerns of toxic spillage.

The ship reported the blast to the Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre (MRCC), Mumbai,

around 9.30 am. Five Indian Coast Guard ships and the Navy's INS Surat, diverted from its route to Kochi, were deployed for rescue and firefighting operations.

Eighteen crew, including the captain, were rescued and taken to Mangaluru.

Search and rescue continue with aerial support and emergency protocols are active across coastal districts.

Coast Guard warnings

The vessel continues to emit smoke, posing a risk of more explosions. Nearby ships have been warned to keep a safe distance.

Now, Dr G wants Tumakuru to be part of GBA

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@ Bengaluru

IT'S not just Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar who wants the Bengaluru tag for Ramanagera district. After Shivakumar successfully had Ramanagera renamed Bengaluru South, Home Minister G Parameshwara wants Tumakuru to be part of Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA).

Parameshwara said Tumakuru is growing fast, with an industrial hub on 20,000 acres. The distance between Bengaluru and Tumakuru is 70km.

"If our city is included in GBA, it will help us and the city can be developed. We shall place this proposal," the minister said. **CONTINUED ON P4**

Crush hour: 6 die after falling off moving train in Thane dist

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

SIX passengers died while nine suffered injuries after falling off two overcrowded local trains near Diwa in Maharashtra's Thane district during the morning rush hour on Monday, officials said. The incident occurred near Mumbra railway station when the trains were passing each other on a steep turn. The deceased were identified as Ketan Saroj (23), Rahul Gupta (28), Mayur Shah and Thane Government Railway Police constable Vicky Mukhyad (34). Two passengers are yet to be identified.

Chief Public Relations Officer of Central Railway, Swapnil Nila, said the victims were travelling on footboard of the two



Relatives of the deceased passengers at a hospital in Thane | P11

trains, one travelling towards Kasara and another travelling towards Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus Mumbai. The commuters were hanging from the doors of the crowded trains and their backpacks brushed against each other as the trains passed in opposite directions, leading to the fall.

Central Railway should increase local trains on important suburban routes —Sharad Pawar, NCP

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